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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 19, 2009, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I (claims 12-21), drawn to a method of treating a crystal having non-linear optical properties.

It is respectfully requested that each of claims 12-21 presently pending in this application be passed to allowance, as previously indicated in the Office Action mailed on June 9, 2009.

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